Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House agreed to S. Con. Res. 22, Adjournment Resolution.

Senate

Chamber Action

Senate met at 11:45:59 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 11:46:29 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, August 6, 2013.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 86 public bills, H.R. 2978–3063; and 9 resolutions, H. Res. 326–334 were introduced. Pages H5395–H5400

Additional Cosponsors:

Pages H5402-04

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows: H.R. 1407, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to reauthorize user fee programs relating to new animal drugs, with amendments (H. Rept. 113–188).

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Regulations From the Executive in Need of Scrutiny Act of 2013: The House passed H.R. 367, to amend chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that major rules of the executive branch shall have no force or effect unless a joint resolution of approval is enacted into law, by a recorded vote of 232 ayes to 183 noes, Roll No. 445. Consideration of the measure began yesterday, August 1st.

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Rejected the Kuster motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with amendments, by a recorded vote of 185 ayes to 229 noes, Roll No. 444.

Pages H5358-60

Agreed to:

Scalise amendment (No. 1 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–187) that was debated on August 1st that requires the Administration to receive approval from

Congress before implementing a carbon tax (by a recorded vote of 237 ayes to 176 noes, Roll No. 437);

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Smith (MO) amendment (No. 3 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–187) that was debated on August 1st that requires congressional approval for all rules under the authority of the Affordable Care Act (by a recorded vote of 227 ayes to 185 noes, Roll No. 438); and

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Latham amendment (No. 4 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–187) that was debated on August 1st that clarifies that the report required to be submitted to Congress by Federal agencies promulgating a rule under the Act must include a list of any other related regulatory actions taken by or that will be taken by any other Federal agency with authority to implement the same statutory provision or regulatory objective (by a recorded vote of 263 ayes to 152 noes, Roll No. 439).

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Rejected:

Nadler amendment (No. 6 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–187) that was debated on August 1st that sought to exempt from the bill's congressional approval requirement any rule pertaining to nuclear reactor safety standards in order to prevent nuclear meltdowns like the one in Fukushima. The amendment would ensure enhanced nuclear safety protection requirements can go into effect (by a recorded vote of 186 ayes to 229 noes, Roll No. 440);

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Johnson (GA) amendment (No. 7 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–187) that was debated on August 1st that sought to exempt from the provisions of the bill any rule that the Office of Management and Budget determines would result in net job creation (by a recorded vote of 182 ayes to 235 noes, Roll No. 441);

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Jackson Lee amendment (No. 8 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–187) that was debated on August 1st that sought to exempt from the bill's congressional approval requirement any rule promulgated by the Department of Homeland Security (by a recorded vote of 185 ayes to 232 noes, Roll No. 442); and

Moore amendment (No. 12 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–187) that was debated on August 1st that sought to exempt rules pertaining to veterans from the additional requirements of this Act (by a recorded vote of 190 ayes to 226 noes, Roll No. 443).

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H. Res. 322, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 367), (H.R. 2009) and (H.R. 2879), was agreed to yesterday, August 1st.

Recognizing the long-term partnership and friendship between the United States and the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, working together towards peace and security in the Middle East: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 222, as amended, to recognize the long-term partnership and friendship between the United States and the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, working together towards peace and security in the Middle East.

Pages H5361-62

Keep the IRS Off Your Health Care Act of 2013: The House passed H.R. 2009, to prohibit the Secretary of the Treasury from enforcing the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, by a recorded vote of 232 ayes to 185 noes, Roll No.

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Rejected the Nolan motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 186 ayes to 230 noes, Roll No. 446.

Pages H5371-73

H. Res. 322, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 367), (H.R. 2009) and (H.R. 2879), was agreed to yesterday, August 1st.

Helping Heroes Fly Act: The House concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1344, to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Transportation Security Administration) to provide expedited air passenger screening to severely injured or disabled members of the Armed Forces and severely injured or disabled veterans.

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Adjournment Resolution: The House agreed to S. Con. Res. 22, providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate and an adjournment of the House of Representatives.

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Congressional Award Board Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Member on the part of the House to the Congressional Award Board: Representative Hudson.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H5360.

Senate Referrals: S. 233, S. 668, S. 796, S. 885, and S. 1093 were referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform; S. 256 was referred to the Committees on Natural Resources and Education and the Workforce. Pages H5360-61, H5389

Quorum Calls—Votes: Eleven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5353–54, H5354, H5354–55, H5355–56, H5356, H5356–57, H5357–58, H5359, H5360, H5373–73, H5373. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and at 2:57 p.m., pursuant to S. Con. Res. 22, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Monday, September 9, 2013.

Committee Meetings

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on H.R. 2824, the "Preventing Government Waste and Protecting Coal Mining Jobs in America Act". Testimony was heard from Thomas L. Clarke, Director, Division of Mining and Reclamation, West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection; and a public witness.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs held a hearing on H.R. 2208, the "North American Wetlands Conservation Extension Act of 2013"; H.R. 2798, to amend Public Law 106–206 to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to require annual permits and assess annual fees for commercial filming activities on Federal land for film crews of 5 persons or fewer; and H.R. 2799, the "Sportsmen's Heritage and Recreational Enhancement Act". Testimony was heard from Representative Latta; and Stephen D. Guertin, Deputy

Director, Fish and Wildlife Service; and public witnesses.

MISSING WEAPONS AT THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE: MISMANAGEMENT AND LACK OF ACCOUNTABILITY

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Sub-committee on National Security; and Committee on Natural Resources' Subcommittee on Public Lands and Environmental Regulation held a joint hearing entitled "Missing Weapons at the National Park Service: Mismanagement and Lack of Accountability". Testimony was heard from Kim Thorsen, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Safety, Resource Protection and Emergency Services, Department of Interior; Jonathan B. Jarvis, Director, National Park Service, Department of Interior; Chief Theresa Chamber, U.S. Park Police, Department of Interior; and Robert A. Knox, Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, Office of Inspector General, Department of Interior.

EXAMINING THE SKYROCKETING PROBLEM OF IDENTITY THEFT RELATED TAX FRAUD AT THE IRS

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Operations hearing entitled "Examining the Skyrocketing Problem of Identity Theft Related Tax Fraud at the IRS". Testimony was heard from Daniel Werfel, Acting Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service; Michael McKenney, Deputy Inspector General for Audit, Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration; Nina E. Olson, National Taxpayer Advocate, Internal Revenue Service; and Douglas MacGinnitie, State Revenue Commissioner, State of Georgia.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2013

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, August 6

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 2 p.m., Monday, September 9

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session, unless the Senate receives a message that the House of Representatives has agreed to S. Con. Res. 22, Adjournment Resolution.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: To be announced.

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